SMYTH'S NEWEST TROUBLES.

THOSE OF HIS OWN PARTY TALKING OF THROWING HIM OVERBOARD.

Increased Warfare Against the Insurance

Department-Proposing to ask Smyth to Resign - Harris's Unfair Apportionment Scheme Making Progress in the Senate. ALBANY, Feb. 25 .- The squeamishness of the Albany Insurance Ring shows no signs of abating, while the disposition to inquire into erations is as rampant as ever. The sucss that has attended the calling for the reports in the examination of the Globe Mutual Life has uraged members of the Legislature to press further inquiries. These, while ostensibly pointing in another direction, are all intended to check the operations of Superintendent Smyth, and they come from men of his own po-

mbly by Mr. Skinner, which was lost by a obe-13 to 13-six Senators absent. The on of Senator Goodwin to substitute the which passed the Assembly last week, as a term of the districts were concerned, lost by the same vote. Senator Harris deed, his bill at length. It was approved, he by the party lenders, and should adopted simply as a matter of equity, cracked the party whip over the is of his Republican associates, and brought i all into line except Mr. Goodel. Senator Murphy voted for all the motions to subtened the motion of the more just and fair measures, but Harris and Senators Turner and Lippitt with him, its way the bill was ordered to a third read-It gives New York 23 members only, and as County 11, giving such counties as Cobia 2. It is the same bill that the conference on the support of the committee agreed upon last year, and it then pronounced by Republicans to be such ustrage that they could not support it. To a stion indicates that Old Sait was speak-by authority last week when he said that Senate would not pass one side of the House. Harris and Old Salt are plainly engineer for a defeat of apportionment this year by ing, through parliamentary tactics, a disament of the two Houses.

The Assembly ordered to third reading the path Regiment Armory bill, authorizing a sty that regiment on its armory property; the bill making an appropriation for the ration of the ration of the ration of Plattsburg to the prison at Dannemora.

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the Atlantic Mutual Life Insurance man of Albany said that he had prom-

tivin, not proposing to be headed off in neer, promptly objected. The states-n Putnam gave notice for a motion to it crudes to-morrow in order that Mr. ight get around the objection and pro-Chinesia resolution.

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TROUBLE IN ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

Violence that Followed a Day's Caronsal-

POUGHKEEPSIE, Feb. 25 .- At Annandale on-the-Hudson, two miles north of Barrytown, is an Episcopal institution known as St Stephen's College, where young men are educated for the ministry, and over which the Rev. Dr. Fairbairn, LL. D., presides as warden, For the past week the neighborhood has been in a state of excitement over violent scenes that have occurred within the college walls and which have resulted in an abrupt vacation of two weeks. It seems that several days ago fifteen or twenty of the students went to Rhinebeck on a lark, unbeknown to the warden or faculty,

and had a high old time drinking and carousing. Soon afterward the faculty heard of the affair and an investigation followed. It was

ing to his visiting cards, did not appear Island, yesterday, when his mother-in-law, Mrs. Miles, was called up for trial. The latter, who is a sister of Victoria C. Woodhull and Tennie C. Claffin, was accused of abdueting the Captain's wife, who is Mrs. Miles's daughter. from her husband's home at South Beach, Staten Island. The couple were married several weeks ago by the Rev. Mr. Eaton, Rector of St. Clement's Episcopal Church in West Third street. The Captain says that he is a son of the famous English Elkington-manufacturer of electro-plated ware. He served, according to his story, at the taking of the Takee lorts in China in 1862, in the Ashantee war of 1873-74, under Gen. Garnet Wolseley, and at Pievna under Osman Pasha.

Justice Garrett began the proceedings yesterday by reading the following letter from the Captain:

New York, Feb. 23, 1878.

To Justice Garrett-Dear Str. By request of my wife and out of love and regard for her. I withdraw the suit now pending against her mether, Mrs. Miles. I do this solely out of love form wite and be the family relationships. Trusting that everything may be amircably settled ultimately, I remain, yours traily.

"If Capt. Elkington is willing to settle this

the Justice's desk.
Then Mrs. Miles, accompanied by her lawyer,
Mr. Smith, and her friend, Mrs. Waiton, and
her younger daughter, swept majestically out
of the room.
To a reporter for THE SUN, who found him in
the lobby of the Windsor Hotel yesterday, the
Captain exhibited the following copy of a cablegram:

Lea Park, Workesterships, Feb. 24

her daughter was my wile, and that I tally love her.

Two of the Captain's swords and a sabre of polished steel bearing the royal arms, and a magnificent Turkish seimetar, may be seen in Mrs. Howland's bearding house at 23 Washington place. Mrs. Howland says that they are detained for an unpaid board bill. The Captain admits the board bill, and says he will pay it when Mrs. Howland gives up his valuable trunks, which, it seems, she has also impounded.

pounded.
Rector Eaton of St. Clement's Episcopal Church, to whom the Captain gave a check for \$20 on the Manhattan Bank as a wedding fee, and which was not paid on presentation, says that he will keep silence until he is called to testify in a court of justice.

HARTFORD, Feb. 25 .- The situation at Trinity

NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1879.

BREDERICK A. FREEMAN MAKING A MOVE FOR HIS FREEDOM.

LIFE INSURANCE TROUBLES.

What W. S. Opdyke and Sheppard Homan Say-Complications of the Globe Mutual.

Frederick A. Freeman did not succeed yes terday in procuring the \$300,000 bail in the suit brought against him by Henry R. Pierson, re-ceiver of the Guardian Mutual Life Insurance Company, and remained in the custody of Dep-uty Sheriff McGonigal. He spent most of the day with his lawyers. The result of it was that Judge Donohue was applied to for an order,

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the stock of the Widows' and Orphans' and Reserve Mutual was purchased, which purchase the directors sanctioned. He gave his opinion at the time that the purchase was a profitable one for the Guardian Company. This opinion was based upon the investigations made by the officers of the company, and the Board of Directors were guided by those investigations. He believed then, and believes now, that the purchase was a legitimate and proper operation for the Guardian Company. He secuted the idea that there had been any conspiracy, although he did not claim to have made personal investigation at the time he voted to make the purchase. He expressed the opinion that the suit against Mr. Freeman would find hold, and that no conspiracy would be proved.

Mr. Sheppard Homans said yesterday that he was prepared to prove that he had not profited a penny by the sale of the stock of the Widows' and Orphans' and Reserve Mutual companies to the Guardian, as he was not an officer of either company at the time. As to thecheck for \$54,000 which Mr. Pierson claimed to have found in his name, he had no recollection of having it, but he was sure that he did not have that money for his own benefit. He believed that if the check passed through his hands it was a mere formal matter.

A gentleman who formerly held a responsible position in the Guardian Company said yesterday that aithough Mr. Honans was not an officer, the books of the company will show that he received large advances on Inglewood property, and negotiated the sale of the Widows' and Orphans' and Reserve Mutual to the Guardian, with the understanding that he was to have some of the Guardian's cash lonned to him; that the cause of F. A. Freeman's long absence in Europe was a threat of prosecution by one of the stockholders of the Widows' and Orphans' who was much incensed at the sale of that company.

After Mr. F. A. Freeman's return from Europe he was little seen and his election to the

assets of the Guardian were wrongfully kept by the Universal.

INCENDIARISM IN HARLEM.

ago hired of Frederick Kopper the second floor of the frame building 2.292 Third avenue, between 124th and 125th streets. They fitted the rooms up in good style and paid the rent promptly for two months. The last month's promptly for two months. The last month's rent was not paid, and on Saturday Mr. Kopper notified the club to quit. On Monday the officers removed most of the furniture, but all day yesterday two of the members of the society were making final preparations for a permanent withdrawal. Mrs. Sullivan, who lives overhead, heard the young men whispering during the day, and being suspicious of their movements, kept a watch. Soon after 4 o'clock she saw the men quit the rooms, lock the doors, and cautiously glance around. Mrs. Sullivan could no longer restrain her anxiety, and she demanded an explanation. On hearing her voice the young men tumbled down stairs and into the street. Mrs. Sullivan soon smelled smoke and gave an alarm. The firemen found difficulty in gaining admittance to the club rooms, in which the flames were then visible. After the doors were forced the fire, which had burned through the floors, and was gradually reaching the walls, was extinguished. The in-

RECEIVING THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS.

A Promiscious Crowd and a Shabby Supper at the White House. WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 .- From 8 until 11

o'clock this evening there was one prolonged jam at the White House. The occasion was a reception given to the Diplomatic Corps by the White House people, to which were invited the members of the Cabinet, Judges of the Supreme Court, the members of Congress, certain army and navy officials, and other friends. It was in-tended that the reception should be very select. The Diplomatic Corps and the army and navy officers were requested by private circulars to wear their uniforms. They complied generally show cause why the order of arrest should not but the select character of the reception was

them-Other Retrenching bills.

TRENTON, Feb. 25 .- In the Senate to-day Mr.

lagher. The excavation has been made over a space about 200 feet square, the workmen being

ting Fire to their Rooms.

The Waverley Club of Harlem three months

DISCUSSING FISH CULTURE.

SUGGESTING THE MEANS FOR PROPA-GATION AND PRESERVATION.

Telling of a Strange Bug that Captured Young Trout—The Discovery of White-balt and How they were First Introduced. At the eighth annual meeting of the American Fish Cultural Association yesterday, in Fishmongers' Hall, near Fulton Ferry. after a few introductory remarks by the Chairman, the Hon. R. B. Roosevelt, H. D. McGovern read a paper on "Trout Culture," in which special attention was given to young trout of from twelve to eighteen months of age. Not the spring, and at each visit a trout was missing. He watched for the cause, and, before

the spring, and at each visit a trout was missing. He watched for the cause, and, before the pring, and an each visit a trout was missing. He watched for the cause, and, before long, saw an animal like a mouse move out of the grass and creep down to the spring, whence, in a minute more, it brought out one of the remaining trout. He captured the thief. It was a bug, about three inches long, armed with two is are prehensile claws. At another time he saw at trout jump from the stream, turn over, and a large red worm near the trout's heart. He put the shah away, and, on a second examination, having missed the worm, he discovered it coiled up under the skin, near the ventral fin.

Mr. Fuller-Tho bug is the Belastone grandis, now in Mr. Blackford's possession.

Seth Green-The bug of which Mr. McGovern speaks injects a poisonous fluid when it enters the body of a fish. I have seen it making a raid upon small fish, who acted in a very odd manner.

Fred. Mather-The large of the drazon fly are fully as destructive as the red worm. I once placed some of the large of the drazon fly and stream, then read a paper on Cooperative Ginz-Laws. In regard to law replace to the constitution required that the roll of the drazon fly and stream than the walk are and the black base, and then is benefit to the word of the drazon fly and the constitution required that the roll of the roll with the remark to a break of the remark of the dragon fly are fully as destructive as the red worm. I once placed some of the large of the roll with the roll of the constitution required that the roll of the constitution required that the roll of the roll with the roll of t

Ridge.

"In the spring of last year I asked a shrimp fisherman to bring me all the small fish he might find in his not, and on April 15 he brought me three small fish that were identical in apparent to bring me all the small fish he brought me three small fish that were identical in apparent to the first small fish that were identical in apparent to the first small fish that were identical in apparent to the first small fish that were identical in apparent to the court records.

Some of these I sent to Prof. Spencer F. Bard, who wrote me that they were the young of two distinct species, the common ale-wife and the sea or tailor shad. Having determined that they were not the first of any of our valuable load fish. I took measures to secure a supply for table use. These rest is the supply for table use. These rest is the supply for table use. The sea of the members thought they had been imported from the other side. After receiving this verdict as to their superiority as a table fish, it only remained to introduce them to the public which was tone at a dinner given if the opening of the Manhart tan Beach Hotel, May 16, 1873. This was the first whitebait dinner ever served in this countains the season have more than sixy pounds been taken in one day. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 to 70 cents a pound. They were sold at from 50 months, under the contractor, Mr. Daniel Gallagher. The excavation has been made over a space about 200 feet square, the workmen being distributed about at different points, digging down and carting awaythe earth. At the corner of the excavation near Eighth avenue and Thirteenth street there were 16 men at work digging a sub-cellar. An excavation 15 feet deep had been made at this point, but it was designed to go much deeper, and, as the surface was frozen, the excavation was carried down at an acute angle, leaving a ledge of the frozen surface extending over the pit. The hole was dug nearly 17 feet in depth, and far under the ledge, so that the latter formed a roof to the excavation. Yesterday moraing four of the workmen went upon the ledge at 8 o'clock with picks and wedges to spit off about 10 feet of this frozen earth. At the same time there were eight laborers beneath working at the excavation. Suddenly there was a shout from above, and the mass of earth was seen to be breaking and falling. Several of the workmen jumped out of the way, but five were struck by the falling earth, and three were almost wholly buried. The workmen were for the instant paralyzed, but in a few minutes they went eagerly to work to extricate their companions. Patrick Lawler was the first one got out. He was almost sufficeated, and was rescued just in time to save his life. He was slightly bruised. Hugh Keegan, who was next relieved, escaped with slight bruises, Michael Carey was semi-conscious when he was reached, but he was soon revived. John Burns was bruised by the stones and frozen lumps of earth. The only one killed was William Mahoney, aged 50, of 771 Bergen street. He was wholly buried under the carth. The body was removed to a house across the street, and subsequently taken to the Fifth avenue police station, where the widow sat on the bier beside her husband's corpse, wasping and moved to his home in Grand avenue, near Bergen street, suffering from internal injuries. Michael Carey, who was also suffering from internal inju

A Pickpocket who was Once Suspected of Stealing Stewart's Body.

Mrs. Emily Ryan of 93 Delancey street, an aged, kindly looking widow, testifled yeserday before Justice Kilbreth against John Reilly alias "Red," who was accused of stealing her purse. She was walking home, and the prisoner, with his wife and a companion, stopped her and inquired the way to Houston stopped her and inquired the way to Houston street. Immediately afterward Detective Dwyer asked her if she had not lost her purse. She put her hand in her pocket and immediately missed it. The officer had hardly left her to pursue the thieves, when the prisoner came up and gave her the purse.

John Reilly, whose head was cut and bleeding, denied his guilt. He claimed that he picked up the pocketbook and returned it to the owner. picked up the pocketbook and returned it to the owner.

Detective Dwyer said that Reilly lived at Eldridge and Delancey streets. While standing on the north corner of the street, Dwyer said: "I saw Reilly and his wife, Anna Reilly, come up to this woman. Mrs. Reilly picked Mrs. Ryan's pocket. Reilly deduced me, and returned to Mrs. Ryan, who immediately afterward called to me, and showed me her purse. I told Reilly I would arrest him any way, when he jumped at me and struck me. I then had to club him."

Lawyer Bogart-Officer, you have a grudge against this man, haven't you?

No. sir."

"You have arrested him twice?"

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"You have arrested him twice?"
"Yes, sir. I arrested him on the well-founded ispicion that he is one of the gang that was emoved by a certain man to steal Stewart's dw."

continuation of the theories of the same and received his his present troubles. He says both the German Catholies are disaffected toward him in his present troubles. He says both the German priests and people de-erve and receive his heartleft gratitude for the uniform affection and regard which her have shown him. Hardly had Justice Kilbreth signed the committent before Reilly, with an oath, sprang upon Detective Dwyer, and would have choked him but for Sergeant Long and Officers Ryan and Reilly, who forced him to let go his hold. REPUBLICAN QUARRELS.

The Fifteenth District Factions Try to Unite

Previous to the meeting of the Fifteenth District Republican Association last evening, it was reported that peace had been patched up between the wrangling factions in the organ ization. The call of Henry G. Leask and William M. Montgomery, the leaders of the rival factions, to form a new Republican club for social enjoyment, was cited as an evidence of the good will and harmony that prevailed. In the call for the meeting of the association, it was announced that it was to take long ago, Mr. McGovern said, he placed several trout in a spring. When he went to feed them one was missing. Again and again he went to serted police station in West Ninety-fifth street, where Superintendent Walling commanded so many years. The room is the large room of

the roll is called.

"Mr. Leask, I don't propose to be interrupted by you."

Mr. Leask gave the grounds of his objections to Mr. Shook's vote, which were that he had not qualified as a member within the prescribed time. Mr. Shook thought that he had.

"Will Mr. Leadon keep order?" the Chairman inquired of a member in the rear of the room. Mr. Loudon answered that he could not hear a member at his side vote in the name of an absent member without a protest. It was announced that the Chair had been sustained by a vote of 47 to 32.

Mr. Goodkind wanted the primary postponed for ten days, but his amendment was lost. The veteran Capt. Farley objected to an election on Friday night. He said that if he voted at all it would be to challenge the Central Committee. He saw no prospect of reaching any satisfactary result in the association as long as that body interfered with it. The motion to hold the primary on Friday night was subsequently carried. After the adjournment of the meeting a member shouted to Mr. Leask: "Well, Harry, there is no compromise for you this time."

"You poor fellow," said Mr. Leask, "it is easy to compromise with you any time."

One member wondered, where there was so much squabbling to select a night for the primary, what sort of a time there would be at the election itself.

charge from the Kings County Inebriates' Home of Mrs. Sarah Ann Dyke Piper, the an officer of the regular army. Mrs. Piper is a and well educated. She is connected with a family of wealth and respectability, and she

NINE CATS AND TWO DOGS.

ALSO A COLLECTION OF CLOTHING, SILVER, AND JEWELRY.

The Household and Effects that Mrs. Snowden. now on Blackwell's Island, was Anxlous About-The Cat that Dr. Brennan Took. Yesterday morning, Henrietta Snowden, who wrote from the penitentiary to Mr. Bergh, asking him to take charge of the imprisoned cats and dogs in her room in the top story at 101 East Broadway, sent for Warden Fox. She said that she had many valuable articles in her room that might be stolen, and that she would like to have her pets boarded until her release. The money found in her room, she added. would pay any one for taking charge of them. Accordingly the Warden came to the city in the afternoon, and arranged with a dog fancier to board the animals. He then went to Mrs.

Mr. Blockford the premature of the sale of the series of the series of the sale of the series of the sale of the s

toe of my boot to the intercostal region of the animal. I struck her, I think, under the fifth rib. Then Mrs. McAdam, or Snowden, or whatever her name is, opened her door and attacked me.

"You must not strike Flora, she said. 'She is an American dog, and American dogs never steal. She must be treated with respect. She was respected in the court, and the same deference is due to her here.'

"I tried to remonstrate with her, but it was useless, and I had barely time to escape into my room when an oil iamp, thrown by Mrs. McAdam, smashed against the door."

Dr. Brennan complains that the cat he took on Monday snores and keeps him awake all night.

The delay in reopening the Manhattan Sayings Sank is due to the fact that after some of the trustees and voluntarily put their names to a bond for \$400,000,

Miss Jennie Sinclair, the Boston girl, who

A fire broke out in the drying room of the aundry in the top floor of the female prison of the Kings County Pententiary yesterday afternoon, caused by some of the drying clothes coming in contact with the steam pipes. There was much alarm among the prisoners, but the fire was quickly put out.

The Signal Office Prediction.

Warmer southeast to southwest winds, cloudy weather and rain or show, followed by decidedly coldes westerly to northwesterly winds.